



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE (Case No. 98,375-C)

In the Application of:)	
Me	ehta et al.)	
)	Group Art Unit: 1648
Serial No.	: 09/701,979)	
)	Examiner: Lucas Zachariah
Filed:	June 2, 1999)	
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For: ME	: METHOD FOR STAINING BIOLOGICAL		
SPECIMENS BY COMBINING UNSTABLE)	
RE	AGENTS ON A MICROSCOPIC SLIDE)	

REPLY TO THE NOVEMBER 18, 2003 OFFICIAL ACTION

Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a Reply to the November 18, 2003 Official Action for the above-captioned U.S. patent application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.